

country on a glidepath toward a balanced budget by the year 2002, to reduce spending, to reduce taxes, to reduce the constant increase of Government from the other side, to reduce the bureaucracy, and to provide for freedom for the American people, higher productivity, and more jobs. But we cannot do it if we vote this down, which is what they want. They say this is a serious bill and that is why they are opposed to it.

Mr. Speaker, let me tell my colleagues how serious their—our—Commander in Chief thinks it is. An AP wire—Associated Press—2:27 today; it says, and I quote:

“Less than an hour before the debt limit vote Clinton made a quick trip to the White House briefing room and then went golfing.” He did not reiterate his threat to veto the bills.

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, the Republican's are reaching an all-time low with their dirty tactics that threaten the livelihood of so many Americans by playing a game of political chicken.

It is irresponsible and wrong for the Republicans to attach legislative riders to the continuing resolution. If we had a clean CR, we would all be home celebrating Veterans Day by now.

But instead, the Republicans have attached so many draconian riders to this legislation. I ask my colleagues on the other side of the aisle this, What does raising Medicare premiums for seniors and placing lobbying restrictions on nonprofits have to do with keeping the Government up and running? Absolutely nothing.

I, for one, find it unconscionable that the Republicans are attaching so many extreme nongermane provisions to the continuing resolution and the debt limit extension. These irresponsible bills will leave President Clinton no choice but to veto them. As a result of these Republican shenanigans, veterans will not receive their disability checks, seniors will not receive their Medicare, and thousands of Federal employees in my district will be sent home next Tuesday in the wake of a Government shutdown.

It is dead wrong for the Republicans in Congress to play politics with peoples' lives.

□ 1515

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DREIER). Pursuant to House Resolution 261, the previous question is ordered.

The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. LIVINGSTON].

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 224, nays 172, not voting 36, as follows:

[Roll No. 786]

YEAS—224

Allard	Franks (NJ)
Archer	Frelinghuysen
Arney	Frisa
Bachus	Funderburk
Baker (CA)	Gallegly
Baker (LA)	Ganske
Ballenger	Gekas
Barr	Geren
Barrett (NE)	Gilchrest
Bartlett	Gillmor
Barton	Gilman
Bass	Goodlatte
Bateman	Goodling
Bereuter	Goss
Bilbray	Graham
Billakis	Greenwood
Bliley	Gunderson
Blute	Gutknecht
Boehlert	Hall (TX)
Boehner	Hancock
Bonilla	Hansen
Bono	Hastert
Brewster	Hastings (WA)
Brownback	Hayes
Bryant (TN)	Hayworth
Bunn	Hefley
Bunning	Heineman
Burr	Herger
Burton	Hilleary
Callahan	Hobson
Calvert	Hoekstra
Camp	Hoke
Canady	Horn
Castle	Hostettler
Chabot	Houghton
Chambliss	Hunter
Chenoweth	Hutchinson
Christensen	Hyde
Chrysler	Inglis
Clinger	Istook
Coble	Johnson (CT)
Coburn	Johnson, Sam
Collins (GA)	Jones
Combest	Kasich
Cooley	Kelly
Cox	Kim
Crane	King
Crapo	Kingston
Creameans	Knollenberg
Cubin	Kolbe
Cunningham	LaHood
Davis	Largent
Deal	Latham
DeLay	LaTourette
Diaz-Balart	Laughlin
Doolittle	Lazio
Dornan	Leach
Dreier	Lewis (KY)
Duncan	Lightfoot
Dunn	Linder
Ehlers	Livingston
Ehrlich	LoBiondo
Emerson	Longley
English	Lucas
Ensign	Manzullo
Everett	Martini
Ewing	McCollum
Fawell	McCrery
Fields (TX)	McDade
Flanagan	McInnis
Foley	McIntosh
Forbes	McKeon
Fowler	Metcalf
Fox	Meyers
Franks (CT)	Mica

NAYS—172

Abercrombie	Cardin
Ackerman	Chapman
Andrews	Clay
Baessler	Clayton
Baldacci	Clement
Barcia	Clyburn
Barrett (WI)	Coleman
Becerra	Collins (IL)
Beilenson	Collins (MI)
Bentsen	Condit
Bevill	Conyers
Bishop	Costello
Bonior	Coyne
Borski	Cramer
Browder	Danner
Brown (CA)	de la Garza
Brown (FL)	DeFazio
Brown (OH)	DeLauro
Bryant (TX)	Dellums

Gejdenson	Mascara
Gephardt	Matsui
Gibbons	McCarthy
Gonzalez	McDermott
Gordon	McHale
Green	McKinney
Gutierrez	McNulty
Hall (OH)	Meek
Hamilton	Menendez
Harman	Mfume
Hastings (FL)	Miller (CA)
Hefner	Minge
Hilliard	Mink
Hinchey	Moakley
Holden	Mollohan
Hoyer	Moran
Jackson-Lee	Murtha
Jacobs	Nadler
Jefferson	Neal
Johnson (SD)	Oberstar
Johnson, E. B.	Obey
Kanjorski	Olver
Kennedy (MA)	Ortiz
Kennedy (RI)	Orton
Kennelly	Pallone
Kildee	Pastor
Kleczka	Payne (NJ)
Klink	Payne (VA)
Lantos	Pelosi
Levin	Peterson (MN)
Lewis (GA)	Pomeroy
Lincoln	Poshard
Lipinski	Rahall
Lofgren	Rangel
Lowe	Reed
Luther	Richardson
Maloney	Rivers
Manton	Roemer
Markey	Roybal-Allard

NOT VOTING—36

Berman	Lewis (CA)	Shuster
Boucher	Martinez	Spratt
Buyer	McHugh	Stockman
Dickey	Meehan	Studds
Dingell	Neumann	Thomas
Fazio	Owens	Thornton
Fields (LA)	Parker	Torricelli
Frank (MA)	Peterson (FL)	Tucker
Johnston	Pickett	Vento
Kaptur	Quillen	Waxman
Klug	Quinn	Weldon (PA)
LaFalce	Rose	Young (FL)

□ 1533

The Clerk announced the following pairs:

On this vote:

Mr. Quinn for, with Mr. LaFalce against.

Mr. Young of Florida for, with Mr. Waxman against.

Mr. Quillen for, with Ms. Kaptur against.

Mr. Lewis of California for, with Mr. Johnston of Florida against.

So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, at the request of the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARCHER] of the Committee on Ways and Means, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise their remarks and include extraneous material on the motion to agree to Senate amendments on H.R. 2586 adopted earlier today.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DREIER). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.